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WEST INDIAN UNREST.

Aid From Imperial Government Demanded as a Right by the Sugar Interests.

British Markets Must Be Protected to the Islands by Protective Duties.

Kingston, Jamaica, Sept. 9.—The conference of West Indian representatives at the island of Barbadoes passed a resolution formally demanding aid from the home government, as a matter of right, as being the only available remedy for the industrial crisis, and also demanding the adoption of measures either for the exclusion of bounty-fed sugar from the English market, or the adoption of countervailing duties. No ultimatum looking to American annexation was adopted, although the question was incidentally discussed as a possible future contingency, to offset Cuban and Porto Rican competition in the American market, should Great Britain conclusively refuse the relief demanded. The question of annexation to Canada was not mentioned, and the Jamaican delegates, in an interview, declared that, while annexation to the United States was improbable, the transference of the British West Indian islands to Canada was impracticable, besides promising no relief.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

Checks For Sealers at Last Issued—Shallow Places in St. Lawrence Channel.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Ottawa, Sept. 9.—The apportionment of the indemnity paid by the United States as damages for the seizure of Canadian sealing vessels has been made, and checks are now going out from the department.

Another meeting of the cabinet was held this afternoon to discuss a number of routine matters. Mr. Blair was not present, having left for Montreal this morning. Messrs. Fielding and Patterson join him there this evening, and thence proceed east. They will be in St. John to-morrow. Recent frequent groundings in the ship channel between Montreal and Quebec are causing great concern to ship-owners. Mr. Tarte, therefore, has ordered another enquiry into the matter.

SPIRITUALISM.

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PORTO RICO EVACUATION.

Spain Making No Move Towards the Promised Arrangements.

San Juan de Porto Rico, Sept. 9.—The American evacuation commissioners, at a meeting held yesterday afternoon, decided to notify Captain-General Macias that they were present and ready to proceed with business. A communication to this effect was drafted in most courteous terms. It asked where and when the Spanish commissioners would meet the Americans. Lieut. Sears delivered the communication to the Captain-General. He drove to the palace in a carriage, and when at the gate a brick was hurled at him from the sidewalk. Being an old baseball player, he was able partly to ward the missile off with his hands, and it fell, striking him on the ankle, but doing only slight injury. The American commissioners are determined to brook no delay. Although Captain-General Macias recognized their presence by official visits, they have not been notified of the appointment of the names of the Spanish commissioners, and the names of the latter have not been officially gazetted here, in spite of the fact that it is understood, unofficially, that Generals Ortega and Vallerino and the auditor of the war, Senor Aguilar, comprise the commission. The 30 days expire on Sunday, and if the Spaniards are not prepared to proceed on that date, they must explain the matter.

SCOURGED BY FIRE.

Valuable Property Destroyed and Lives Brought in Danger at Alberni.

Bush fires resulting from carelessness or criminal malice are changing the Alberni mining district into a mountainous sea of flame, the lives of scores of prospectors who are out in the hills, being endangered by the fierce-roaring fires that yesterday closed in upon the town of Alberni, and now threaten it with obliteration.

According to a telegram from Alberni last evening, the conflagration was the deliberate work of a miscreant for whom the police will have a warrant as soon as the danger is past, and who is accused of having deliberately fired the forest below the town.

During the afternoon the flames which had twice before approached dangerously close to the settlement, reached and destroyed the assay office, which at the last word from the beleaguered village, all the residents were engaged in the battle for the salvation of their homes and property.

The last message coming over the wire announced that the "mineralogical office" had gone, the wind was rising, and the saw mill and other important buildings were in serious danger. Reidford's slaughter houses and barns were twice on fire within three hours, but still standing.

Above Alberni, the country in the district known as Cherry Creek, is all on fire. The big barn on Mr. Best's ranch, filled with the season's crop of hay and grain, has been totally destroyed, and the residence saved only through the timely arrival of neighbors. Fences and outbuildings are being cut out everywhere by the fires, and a number of people have been badly burned in their efforts to save property.

It is scarcely possible that all the prospectors in the mountains will escape alive, and everyone acquainted with the country must shudder in the contemplation of their terrible position.

Nearer Victoria on both the Vancouver Island and the Washington State shores, the high hands are a blaze of flame, the dense yellow smoke obscuring the sun, and with the fog prevailing at the entrance to the straits, greatly interfering with navigation.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Grain Syndicates Eyeing Ontario Wheat—A Hotel Fire—Suicide By Shotgun.

Winnipeg, Sept. 9.—(Special)—Hon. T. R. Black, a member of the Nova Scotia provincial executive, is here en route to the Pacific coast.

The Free Press says: "It is understood that one, and perhaps two, of the Manitoba grain syndicates intend operating this fall in Ontario. One company will send down their representatives this coming week to look after the purchase of wheat. Last season grain buyers made more money exporting Ontario wheat than dealing in the Manitoba article, and this has tempted local men to take the new departure."

It is reported from Strassburg, Assa., that a young man named Huber committed suicide by shooting himself with a common shotgun last week. The remains were horribly incriminated and scorched, and were buried without any investigation.

What might have been a shockingly fatal fire occurred early this morning in the Royal hotel, near the C. P. R. station. No one was injured, though one man was overcome with smoke, and had to be helped out of the building, while two small children were thrown from the top story into a blanket. The building was only slightly damaged.

If sick headache is misery, what are Carter's Little Liver Pills if they will positively cure it? People who have used them speak frankly of their worth. They are small and easy to take.

TERRITORY OF HAWAII

Such the New Designation of the United States Pacific Outpost.

The Islands Will Have Local Self Government Based on Present Conditions.

San Francisco, Sept. 9.—The steamer Coptic has arrived from Yokohama and Hongkong via Honolulu bringing the following advice to the Associated Press from the latter city under date September 3:

It will be the "Territory of Hawaii." That is the name which the annexation commission has decided to recommend to congress. Thus will be preserved the distinctive origin of this part of the United States. The history and tradition of the islands will go on in unbroken union with the name.

The form of government will be modelled on the existing territorial government. There will be no further departures from this form than local considerations and national considerations make necessary. It is possible that in working out the details the form of government will not be as closely modelled to that of state government as the ordinary form of government does. But the ultimate possibility of statehood will not be barred. Still there will be no district of Columbia or Alaska form of government proposed.

Local self-government will be given through the extension of the municipal idea. The islands will be divided into municipal districts having control under restrictions of purely local affairs. Honolulu for instance will be a municipal district embracing the whole of the island of Oahu.

The question of a territorial legislature has not been fully settled. There will probably be one but with limited powers. All the attributes of sovereignty, however, will be exercised by the national government of the United States. The people of Hawaii will be called on to consider themselves Americans, looking to the national government as the source of national power. In internal affairs they will have the opportunity of exercising the high attribute of American citizenship, local self-government.

The form of government the commission will recommend will be one calculated to do away with the associations of national independence and create a feeling of union with the United States. It is pretty clear from what has been said by members of the commission from time to time that in framing a form of government for these islands they have also been charged by the administration at Washington with forming a model which can be adopted to Porto Rico and other new possessions the war has brought the United States. The commission is trying to so shape its work as to be able to conclude its labors by September 20.

QUEEN WILHELMINA TIRED.

Long Drawn Out Coronation Performances Are Becoming a Bore.

The Hague, Sept. 9.—A special religious service was held at St. James church to-day for Queen Wilhelmina. It was a beautiful and impressive ceremony. The Queen entered attended by a retinue of high officials. She was also attended by her mother, the Princess of Weisse and the ladies-in-waiting. Prince Frederik of Weisse, son of the reigning Prince, was present. The young prince's mother is a princess of the Netherlands, and it is popularly believed he will be Wilhelmina's choice for a husband.

The young Queen sat in a chair on a high platform facing the pulpit. She was pale and looked tired. She was joined in the singing and listened to a long sermon delivered by the court chaplain, Dr. G. J. Vander Flor. A chorus of 100 voices then sang a special anthem, composed by Nicholas Beets.

DISPUTING ALREADY.

Hawaiian Local Authorities Object to Turning Over Their Militia.

San Francisco, Sept. 9.—Honolulu advises by the Coptic state that there is a clash between Col. Barber and the Hawaiian government over military quarters. The Hawaiian government, as is known, at the end of August withdrew its garrison of troops from the Executive building and grounds, and it was deemed that, with the presence of United States troops at Honolulu there was no more need of troops to guard the public buildings. The paid military of Hawaii simply went out of existence. In the meantime the Hawaiian government had notified the United States representatives here that after August 31st it would not be responsible for the official military courtesies of this port, as it is now an American port. The United States military authorities then signified their intention of occupying the late Hawaiian military headquarters, including the barracks and officers' quarters. To this the Hawaiian government objected, claiming the buildings are purely civil.

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A GLANCE TO DO JUSTICE.

Referring to some newspaper, which it alleges said that anarchy exists in British Columbia, and that the people could scarcely be blamed if they rose in rebellion against the present government, the News-Advertiser says:

Those who assert that a state of anarchy exists here, that a rebellion would almost be justified, should either prove their assertions or withdraw them. It certainly is not in the interests of the province that such extravagant reports should be made. That they are absolutely without foundation and only the result of bitter disappointment at the unexpected defeat of the clique which for so long did what it pleased with provincial resources, is sufficient to condemn those who venture to libel the province and its people in such a manner.

It always did make a great difference whose ox was gored. The Colonist is in the heartiest sympathy with this condemnation of those who misrepresent the province in the eyes of the world. It has always taken this position, but it regrets that it has not hitherto had the support of the News-Advertiser. No paper in British Columbia was more persistent in decrying the provincial credit and the reputation of provincial ministers than our Vancouver contemporary in the days when it was in opposition. It was of little use to point out that the libels to which it gave currency were calculated to hurt the province abroad. For month after month it continued to assail Mr. Turner, his colleagues, and their policy in a manner which, if the News-Advertiser had possessed sufficient standing abroad to make its opinions count for anything, would have completely destroyed the credit of the province. An English divine once said that the surest way to check the growth of skepticism in a clergyman was to make a bishop of him, and it is the working of the same principle which has led our contemporary to see the enormity of its past practices.

But our contemporary ought not to stop at mere conversion. The test of a change of heart, to adopt the phraseology of the prayer meeting, is a change of life. "By their fruits ye shall know them" is a rule full of sound philosophy. There is an excellent means right at hand by which the News-Advertiser can show how sincere it is in its new profession.

No more hurtful statement, so far as the province goes, and certainly none so far as the character of its public men is concerned, has ever been made public than that involved in the allegation of the Lieutenant-Governor in regard to those so-called blank warrants. The Colonist admits that at the outset it regarded the allegation as a minor matter, which would be readily disposed of by the few words of explanation that it then presented. It did not imagine that anyone was capable of suspecting that Mr. Turner, a gentleman who for twelve years had filled the office of finance minister, handling millions of money without giving rise even to the faintest breath of scandal, and who for nearly two score years has been prominent in the business world, and enjoyed a reputation for most sterling honesty, would be guilty of any design to pervert a dollar of the public money from the use for which it was intended, or handle a dollar of it in any other than the regular constitutional way. It believed that the reference of the Lieutenant-Governor to the so-called blank warrants was without excitement and without a full knowledge of the facts, or reflection as to the inferences which unscrupulous politicians would draw from his language. Any other explanation is irreconcilable with his own language, for he speaks of his high esteem for Mr. Turner personally, a feeling which he would hardly entertain for a man who would be a party to a fraud upon the treasury. But it is easy to set the whole matter at rest forever, and the News-Advertiser can do it.

The editor of the News-Advertiser is the Hon. Francis L. Carter-Cotton, who is likewise Finance Minister. In five minutes Mr. Cotton can ascertain, if he has not already done so, what the so-called blank warrants were, who put them in with the others, why they were put in, whether the act of putting them in implies anything wrong, and if their presence could have been taken advantage of for improper purposes.

Under these circumstances, it is the duty of Mr. Cotton, through the News-Advertiser, to vindicate Mr. Turner from the base assaults that have been made upon him. It is his duty to do so, because he ever found in Mr. Turner an honorable antagonist. It is his duty to himself to do so, for he has on more than one occasion been ready to link his political fortunes with those of Mr. Turner. It is his duty to the province, which is suffering in the estimation of the public abroad by reason of the circulation of this scandal. It is true that the News-Advertiser has not itself alleged that anything wrong was done or intended. That dirty business has been left to dirty people. It is also true that the matter has been fully explained. But it is an old saying that a lie will travel faster than the truth, and the lie about Mr.

Turner is proving no exception to the rule.

Mr. Cotton knows perfectly well that the whole truth will come out when the legislature meets, but he has surely too high a sense of honor to permit a personal friend, although a political opponent, to rest for months under a charge of flagrant dishonesty, when he has only to write a short statement of the truth to vindicate him. He will surely not allow the fact that a by-election is pending in Vancouver to deter him from doing an act of the simplest justice.

What will the News-Advertiser do? It will do what the Minister of Finance thinks it honorable to do, and the public will have an opportunity of judging from its response to this article what that gentleman's idea of honor in politics is.

NORTHERN POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Hon. Mr. Mulock's admirers never grow weary of lauding what he has done for the postoffice department. What he has not done for the northern postal service is worthy of more attention than it has received. At Dawson City, for example, the arrangements for delivery of the mail have been scandalous. People in the new centres of population in the West are not disposed to be unreasonable in their demands for postal accommodation. They know how difficult it is for officialdom to keep up with western progress. But the neglect exhibited at Dawson is without excuse. All accounts agree as to the delay incidental to the getting of letters out of the postoffice there. This could easily have been prevented, if a few of the dollars, which Mr. Mulock boasts of having saved, had been expended in employing more clerks. But though delay in getting letters is aggravating enough, and often expensive, yet pioneers would not complain bitterly on that score, if favoritism did not get in its work, and that favoritism of the kind which money can secure. If everyone had to take his turn at a delivery window, the proverbial good humor of a Western crowd would make even a wait of half a day tolerable. First come first served is a principle we are all used to in this longitude. What arouses the indignation of those waiting in the regular way to get their letters is the fact that those who, through influence of money have a "pull," can get their mail by "the side door." To Eastern people, who do not know what the pressure for mail is at a frontier office, where there are thousands of people all equally anxious to be served this may seem a very trivial matter, but it is quite otherwise, and it is making the administration of Mr. Mulock's department stink in the nostrils of Yukon miners.

In regard to the Stikine mail service the postal arrangements at Glenora we have already spoken, and there is nothing new to add to what has been said. The most complete disregard of public convenience was shown in this respect. Some of Mr. Mulock's boasted savings might have been very well employed in giving the venturesome pioneers of that part of Canada something resembling decent mail accommodation. It was bad enough to induce them to go up the Stikine in thousands under the promise of immediate railway construction, and the least that might have been done was to have supplied them with something approaching modern facilities of hearing from and communicating with the outside world.

THE NILE CAMPAIGN.

As the correspondents' letter from the Nile are being made public the admirable nature of the Sirdar's plans is being made clearer. Every thing was done at the right time and at the right place. If a battalion was instructed to be at a certain point at a certain hour, when the hour came, so did the battalion. The officers in charge had only to see to getting their men to the designated point. Some one else was looking after other matters, such as the selection and preparation of the camping ground, the taking of the necessary sanitary precautions, the forwarding of supplies. Everything went like clockwork. Hence the men were always in good heart and good health. Some sarcastic individual, speaking of the advance of the Rifle Brigade up the river, said that the only mistake was that the men were not put on ice in London to be unpacked at Khartoum to do their share of the fighting, and then be repacked to be sent home. Such sarcasm is the best testimony to the efficiency of the Sirdar's arrangements. A general who knows how to look after his soldiers properly, deserves victory and takes one of the surest means of securing it.

A SUBURB OF ESQUIMALT.

The first inclination of most people will be to laugh at the following from the Liverpool Post:

"The Daily Mail Vancouver correspondent writes: Big extensions are about to be made at the Imperial dockyard and the fortifications of Esquimalt, the British Columbia headquarters and coaling station of the North Pacific, it now being proposed to absorb for Imperial purposes the whole site of Victoria, a suburban village of Esquimalt, the home of some 5000 people."

It is not, however, a joke. The stupidity of the man who handled the despatch was a fitting compliment to the maliciousness of the correspondent who sent it. We say stupidity of the man who handled the despatch in the Mail office, for though the Colonist makes no such journalistic claims as the Mail, it would not keep in charge of its despatches a man who had so little knowledge of the geography of the Empire as the passing of such a despatch indicates. The Board of Trade ought to communicate with the Mail immediately upon this subject. The despatch has

had not only such great publicity as could be given it in the columns of the paper where it first appeared but it has evidently been copied all over Great Britain. An exposure of the trick played upon the Mail should be at once made.

The statement is made with a great degree of plausibility that Hon. Mr. Sifton maintains at Ottawa a regular bureau to champion his interests throughout the Northwest. It is alleged that he has in his department an official, whose duty it is to supply friendly newspapers with fulsome notices of his chief, which are published as a matter of course, the obliging organ receiving its recompense in the distribution of patronage. If this statement is true, it betrays a poor conception of their duty of Mr. Sifton's newspaper friends. A newspaper that will take its editorial views of a minister's conduct direct from the minister's office is a parasite of the worst kind. The employment of public funds for such a purpose is unjustifiable, and the report that some one on the regular staff of the interior department is employed to do such work ought to be investigated in parliament.

The official announcement is made that the Crow's Nest Pass railway will be in operation to Kootenay Lake about October 1st. The speed at which this line has been built is not the least interesting matter connected with it, and bears testimony to the wonderful progress that has been made in the art of railway construction during the last twenty years. But the great interest attaching to the construction of the line to this point comes from the fact that it will open a splendid section of mineral-rich country and furnish West Kootenay with cheaper fuel. We may look for even greater development in the southwest of the province in the next few years than has ever been experienced in all its past history.

The question as to the necessity of closing bars and saloons on the day when the plebiscite will be taken on prohibition is hardly open to more than one answer. Section 6 of the Plebiscite act provides that the same proceedings as apply to a general Dominion election shall apply to the plebiscite "with respect to offenses and the penalty incurred." The Dominion election law declares the selling of liquor during an election day an offense and proscribes a penalty. Under these circumstances, we think the keepers of saloons and bar-rooms would be wise to make up their minds to close on September 29th. They will undoubtedly render themselves liable to prosecution if they do not.

A Quebec despatch to the Montreal Gazette says that the sealers are willing to take \$50,000 in settlement of their rights and give up pelagic sealing. We are in doubt whether or not this amount is a typographical error, for the despatch goes on to speak of the sum as trivial. In case any one really thinks that our sealers value their right so cheaply, it may be well to say that \$750,000 would fairly represent the actual capital invested in the industry, and that this does not include a dollar to compensate the community for the loss of a business which sustains about 10,000 people, allowing five persons to each family dependent upon sealing for a livelihood.

And now it is alleged that typhoid fever lurks in the seductive ice-cream freezer. If cholera, insanity, yellow fever and small-pox were within the same receptacle, the young miss in her pretty white dress would walk up to the counter and face death in all these varieties of form with a superb indifference. The doctors may just as well give up now as later in their attempt to deter the young and rising generation of females from eating the frozen delicacy.

The Montreal Witness thinks that Canada will not benefit to any considerable extent by reason of a cable between British Columbia and Australasia. Why this distinction between British Columbia and Canada? We fear that the Witness does not appreciate the importance of the future trade of Canada with the countries on the other side of the Pacific, and has not yet grown accustomed to the fact that British Columbia is a part of the Dominion.

The New Brunswick lumbermen are sending two ship loads of lumber to New South Wales expressly for the purpose of seeing if they cannot compete with British Columbia in that market.

WESTMINSTER'S FAIR.

Programme Adopted For the Day by Day Entertainment of Visitors at the Big Show.

Wednesday, Oct. 5-9 a.m., procession; 12 noon, official opening; 3 p.m., junior lacrosse; evening concert.

Thursday, Oct. 6-9.30, horse racing; 2 p.m., Scottish games; evening, fire-works, bombardment of Santiago, etc.

Friday, Oct. 7-Children's day; 10 a.m., aquatic sports; children's procession and games in park; 1 p.m., calisthenic bicycle parade; evening concert.

Saturday, Oct. 8-9.30, horse races; 10 a.m., military procession; 1 p.m., naval and military sports; sham battle; evening fireworks.

Sunday, Oct. 9-Grand sacred concert in the afternoon.

Monday, Oct. 10-American day; 9.30 a.m., horse races; 2 p.m., championship lacrosse match; evening, bicycle parade and fireworks.

Tuesday, Oct. 11-9.30, horse races; 1.30 p.m., bicycle races; evening, band concert.

Wednesday, Oct. 12-9.30, horse races; 1.30, bicycle races; evening, fireworks.

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The following is a list of the names of the children who have been cured by the use of Castoria.

WARFARE IN SOUDAN.

England's Long Fight Against the Fanatic Mahdists—The True Fighting Dervish Has Passed Away.

"Bimbash" in London Telegraph.

was sitting one day in December, 1882, on Nile dahabieh, at Assoum, when, Minchotta, Sheikh of the Ahubel Arabs, came to pay me a visit. He was a good type of an Arab gentleman. His aquiline nose, deep brown eyes, high features and well-formed hands and delicate fingers betrayed the noble aspect from which he was descended, and, black though he was, his voice and manner were those of a polished man of the world. Alas for Minchotta! his partiality for Mahdism led him to an untimely end—his bones now white the sands of his wide domain. In 1882, however, Minchotta was with Mohammed Pasha, Khachia and Saleh, all important characters in the Eastern desert. His men travelled constantly to Berber, Kossin, Suakin and Kassala, and wide was his knowledge of the politics of the Soudan. It was during this visit that he told me of the Mahdi, of whom till then I had never heard, and prophesied his greatness. I was natural that I should not believe him. Mohammed Achmed was a native of Dongola, and the Dongolawi are of the vilest type of riverian Arabs; so I laughed at the idea of his becoming a formidable enemy or a power. But Minchotta, even then a disciple, was right, as four years' campaigning and many a hard fight taught me.

I little thought that sixteen years later his followers would still be in possession of the Soudan and Khartoum. Mohammed Achmed conquered Durdour and Kordofan, destroyed Hicks and Gordon, held his own against the English in the Bayda and the Eastern Soudan, and nearly fought a battle at Toki, which would have won him the title of Sultan of the Nile. It shows us the power of fanaticism when we consider that the Mahdists took Obeid, Khartoum, Kassala and Berber, destroyed Hicks, shattered the Abyssinian army, led by the king himself, and killed that monarch, fought and lost the battle of Atbara, and then, to say nothing of Toki, Tannai, Ginness and Toki; and if to-day their race is nearly run, they still hold Omdurman and 20,000 men, armed with every civilized instrument of destruction, accompanied by the English Grenadier Guards, a dozen powerful gunboats, and a fleet of similar in person, are thought necessary to give a final blow to their power.

Long experience of their tactics has made me consider the Mahdists as a brave, but not a dangerous enemy. Favored as they were in the wars of 1883-87 by the best of luck, they were, in fact, a desperate and a devoted band. Abu Klea and Gubat the flower of their army, in overpowering numbers, failed to defeat the little camel corps—an incongruous weak force, without artillery; a force, indeed, which was not intended for anything but a dash across an undefended road. The public, even if the Sirdar in person, has thought necessary to give a final blow to their power.

It is sad to think that we shall never see again the charge of the dervish. I am inclined to think that the great charge on the Second brigade at Tannai, which shattered the square, the overwhelming attack at Abu Klea, and, finally, the beautiful advance at Gubat, were the most picturesque episodes of the Mahdists' battles against a devoted and a determined force. I shall never forget the memories of Gubat. The camel corps, shattered by the losses of Abu Klea, started on the evening following the battle to march to the Nile. No sooner had darkness fallen than we had every proof of the disadvantages of night marches over an unknown and bushy country. Soon we were wandering, a confused mass of camels, cattle and horses and bewildered infantry. Notwithstanding this unpleasant night, we arrived next morning at daybreak on the high ground above Metemeh, and the sun painted us a picture on the plain in which the dervish was repulsed our unrepulsed vigil. The golden desert stretched before us until it merged into the green, dourra-clad valley of the Nile, through which the great river ran like a thread of silver. Far in the distance rose the blue hills, the ramparts of the mysterious stream, and the desert at our feet was carpeted with the chivalry of the Soudan. Horsemen galloped to and fro, thousands of spearmen wended their way to intercept us, lances glittered in the sun, and a myriad waving banners spread out to the morning breeze.

It was a grim moment when, eventually, the light force of dervishes and mounted infantry, perhaps not 800 strong, advanced to meet the huge army in front of them, and to pierce a lane through it to the Nile. Aching, anxious eyes watched them from the zareba, where lay our general, stricken early in the day, and many wounded comrades, with our camp under our feet till morning. The dervishes, anticipating a certain meal, soared over the little square, and the gazelles, rudely awakened by this unaccustomed rifle, rushed madly here and there, or stood spellbound as we passed. At last we reached the open plain, gathered round us, only waiting for a favorable moment to attack, massed on some rising ground to our left. For a moment the two forces halted, looking almost into each other's eyes.

The English, despairing of victory, but calm and steady, each soldier wearing on his face that stern, determined look peculiar to an Englishman—open his eyes, and he would see the dervish, the Mahdists, all animation and exultation, led by their chiefs and standard-bearers, stood forth in all their glory, 10,000 spear tips glittered in the sunlight, and with loud cries of "Allah Akbar," this beautiful force, which we had seen only waiting for a favorable moment to attack, massed on some rising ground to our left. For a moment the two forces halted, looking almost into each other's eyes.

face so calm and serene. Let us hope his spirit has entered the Paradise which Mohammed promised, and which this disciple had surely earned.

The charge of the Hadendows, though more effective, was nothing like so picturesque. There was a sudden rush, generally when least expected, for they were, as a rule hidden, their dark naked bodies being almost the color of the bush. General Graham at Tannai charged them with the Forty-second Highlanders, and not successfully. On the other hand, as large a body of Arabs attacked Ser Redvers Buller's force simultaneously with the charge of the Black Watch, and was driven off without the loss of a man. Discipline and steadiness were always too much for the dervish, who is an able adversary against an indifferent leader, and fatal to troops the least out of hand.

Sir Herbert Kitchener knows every move on the board in the game he has so successfully played. I only hope that he will spare all the Arabs he can in memory of the star, medals, promotions and glorious recollections of which Mahdism was the direct cause.

But for the Mahdi and Osman Digna the names of Kitchener, Hunter and Wingate might have been unknown. It was Mahdism which gave these gallant and able soldiers their chance. Therefore, I hope that the bloodthirsty but brave bagaras will not be exterminated in their vain attempt to defend an impostor's tomb. Let us recollect that their only line of retreat is across an unfriendly desert on one side, or by the river on the other, where they would be shut off from water by the gunboats, and there is none of the transport necessary to support their hard lives in the desert. I long to hear that the Khalifa has flung up the sponge, or that the Bagaras, who are by no means fools in their own interests, have thrown in the towel and sworn to the cause, to reflect that our old gallant, fearless enemy may soon be flying starved and wounded on the desert, or meeting death cooped up in some primeval style of fortification, battered by modern explosives. At all events, I shall be sorry to think that with the collapse of Mahdism my heart will never again be stirred by the weird beating of the war-drums, the only sound which broke the stillness of the long watches of the desert night, and the mad excitement, as weary and thirsty I watched the charge of white-clad Bagaras, will never again be awakened; that as the dawn rises in all its beauty over the desert of the Soudan, and opens the doors of that cage of horrors, the sun of the day will break no longer upon the serried masses of Arab chivalry, with glittering and waving banners. I shall cherish these recollections as long as life lasts, and devoutly hope that in the coming, and I know necessary, slaughter in the Soudan, many of the best and luckiest race of Arabs in the world will escape.

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Scholars are Multiplying.—The city school inspector announces that during the month of August the rolls of Victoria's public schools showed an attendance of 2,274, as compared with 2,087 during August of 1897—or an increase of 8 per cent.

Winnipeg Singers to Entertain.—The Prairie City quartette, including Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Adams, Mr. Fred Kennedy and Miss Nellie Campbell, have closed contract with the J. B. A. A. for one of their unique concert entertainments here on the evening of the 17th instant. The quartette is highly spoken of in every city that has yet been visited.

A Close Call.—Wesley Ferguson, a lad of 14, whose parents reside in Seattle, and who has been spending a fortnight's holiday with friends in Victoria, was seized with cramps while bathing at Oak Bay yesterday, and but for the timely appearance of two Squid Island Indians would have been drowned. The boy was sinking a third time when one of the natives sprang to his assistance, and he was hauled into the canoe.

Firemen's Relief Association.—After drill on Broad street last evening the firemen decided to form a Firemen's Relief Association. This is an organization that every large city generally possesses and its special advantages are that all firemen who happen to be injured in a fire or who are on the sick list are looked after by the association. The officers elected last evening were: President, Chief Deputy; vice-president, Assistant Engineer McDowell; secretary, E. W. Bradley; and treasurer, Foreman W. B. Smith. The executive will be composed of Foreman Watson, G. E. Moss and one who will represent the permanent staff.

Inspector of Wires.—The frequency of small fires in Victoria recently, caused by electric wires, has suggested the necessity of having an inspector of electric wires appointed, an official whose duty it would be to see that buildings are properly wired. There are many men engaged in the wiring of buildings who know very little about the work. Fortunately fires recently caused by electric wires have occurred in the day and have been discovered before any damage has been done. Another dangerous filament, which is being introduced here, is acetylene, the cause of many fires and explosions where it is extensively used. Water would only add to the trouble.

The List is Growing.—Here are the dates of some of the fall fairs already announced throughout the province. To make the list as complete and accurate as possible, the Colonist would be glad to hear from the secretaries of all rural agricultural societies:

Nanaimo Sept. 16 and 17
Surrey Sept. 19 and 20
Langley Sept. 21 and 22
Chilliwack Sept. 23 and 24
Kaslo Sept. 25 and 26
Vernon Sept. 27 and 28
Cumberland Sept. 29 and 30
Cowichan Oct. 1 and 2
New Westminster Oct. 3 and 4

The Identity of Cowie.—Considerable speculation has been indulged in about town ever since the news reached Victoria of the shooting at Lake Tagish by which James Cowie has been brought very close to death. The speculation arises as to whether it is the same Cowie who was for years a resident of Victoria, and for some time proprietor of the Bee Hive saloon—a very decent, orderly citizen when sober, but a reckless ruffian when in liquor. The officials of the Kutenay company cannot answer the question, but the Vancouver Herald takes it upon itself to dispose of it affirmatively. "Cowie," says the Vancouver paper, "was with Allen & McDonald in the Balmoral saloon, and after working in the ice and cold storage works at New Westminster, went to South Africa. He returned from there a year ago and went North."

McVior-Tyndall's Latest.—Whether he be accepted at his own rating or as one of the world's greatest priests and exponents of psychic science, or at the estimate of critics as a colossal fakir, certain it is that Dr. Alexander J. McVior-Tyndall studies the passing fads and follies of the people and profits handsomely. He has just arrived in Victoria from Vancouver, and will spend some days here. Just now he has nothing to do with clairvoyance, or mind-reading, or hypnotism—it is palmistry that he has lately been preaching to the people of Puget Sound and of Vancouver. It is said to be a sensational case of the long-haired mystic have more in their palms when they seek the services of the seer than when they bid him a revoir. Tyndall is not travelling for his health.

Sealskins Advance.—Sealers have reason to feel in good spirits this week. Skins have advanced on the London market and though all have not been directly affected by the sales of a few days ago there is no one in the industry who will not feel more or less cheered by the news. It is not very long since the price of salmon advanced and "when you see the market for staples improve" said one sealer, "you can generally look for a sympathetic move in luxuries." There is apparently no other reason for the increase in the skin market, and it amounts to about three per cent. over last year's figures. The sale was conducted on Wednesday by Lamson & Co. the big London furriers, and the skins offered were a lot of the Copper Island coasted catch. In Canadian skins the increase was in the neighborhood of \$15 a piece, a quotation that will double the interest now taken in the catches being secured in the Behring sea.

Lord Beresford's Trip.—According to present arrangements, Lord Charles Beresford may be looked for here next Friday or Saturday, being met at Vancouver by the flagship, which is now in Esquimaux. Referring to the object of his trip in England recently Lord Charles is quoted as saying: "I hope to get back for the next session, but of course I am in the dark. I must see how the cat jumps. I might have to be away for six months. My mission is certainly full of interest to me, and I hope the result will benefit the enterprising English in the East. My main object is to find out what security exists in China for British capitalists and merchants; and whether, looking to the complications which accrued since the close of the Sino-Japanese war, our people are justified in spending large sums of money in obtaining concessions, etc. Now, to accomplish this, I must see for myself the Chinese troops, study Chinese methods, and must know more about the general administration of the country than we know to-day."

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TRENT RIVER BRIDGE.

The Coroner's Jury Unable to Determine the Cause of the Disaster.

Nanaimo, Sept. 9.—(Special)—The following is the verdict of the jury in the matter of the Trent river bridge accident: "Re Trent river bridge, 9th September, 1898, 3:05 a.m. After twelve hours and five minutes' deliberations the coroner's jury brought in the following verdict: We, the jury, beg to submit the following: Owing to the insufficiency of the evidence brought to bear on the breaking of the Trent River bridge whereby the following persons met their deaths, namely, Alfred Walker, Richard Nightingale, Alexander Milne, Walter Work, Stanish and Oana, we the jury, are unable to determine as to the cause of the said breaking of the bridge.

"While evidence was given proving the stability of the structure on the one hand, yet on the other hand evidence was given that the portion of the bridge known as the chords was found to be in a rotten condition in several parts which may have been the cause of the accident. One of the witnesses testified that the said portion of the rotten chords was found to be in his own words, 'safe enough to carry the weight put on the bridge, and that in his opinion the bridge was not safe. M. H. P. Bell, civil engineer, another of the witnesses, proved by drawings and figures that the rotten portions of the chords were it yet the bridge was strong enough to carry six times more weight than was on the bridge when it fell. In his (H. P. Bell's) estimation the cause of the accident was that the truss failed under the action of forces apparently at the north end of the bridge in the direction of its length.

"Again we have the conflicting testimony of Mr. Hugh Grant, fireman, taken at his bedside that he felt no jar, no jolt or nothing unusual, but that the span sagged and went right down. The evidence of Nat Pierce confirms the above testimony. He says he saw or heard nothing, having been looking the other way or looking round the engine and some cars had disappeared out of sight when he thought it time to jump and save himself. That again is contradicted by the evidence of E. Walker, who states he heard a rumbling noise like thunder.

There is no evidence to prove that the bridge was known to be unsafe by the Union Colliery company. We have the statement of Mr. Hattie, bridge carpenter, against the evidence of Mr. H. P. Bell, civil engineer, and Mr. G. McLaughlin, practical bridge builder, the said McLaughlin having by order of the Union Colliery company, in the person of Mr. Little, the superintendent of the same, made a thorough examination of the bridge and reported it to be safe until the summer of 1899.

"Taking the evidence as a whole, while we deplore the sudden taking of so many persons from their sphere of usefulness, yet we are unable to arrive at any other verdict than that the aforementioned deceased met their deaths as a result of the falling of the Trent river bridge from some unknown cause or causes.

(Signed) "NED C. H. TARBELL, (Foreman).
"W. WILLARD,
"J. GIDDINGS,
"T. MCNEIL,
"W. S. DALBY,
"F. PARTIDGE.

"We, the jury, are of the opinion that an inspector be appointed by the government to inspect all bridges of this province."

Don't fail to attend the auction sale of furniture, cook stoves, show cases, ladies' and gents' bicycles, etc., at 2 p.m. to-day at W. Jones' auction mart, 133 Government street.

Will Appeal the Decision.—Mr. W. G. Bowman, the city hackman who was recently convicted in the police court and sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and costs, will be running down a bicyclist, has given notice that he will appeal from the decision, on the ground that the fine imposed is excessive. Mr. G. C. Sauer, convicted of violating that section of the criminal code dealing with use of trade marked bottles, has also given notice of an appeal from the police magistrates' decision.

The Plebeian Campaign.—Those in charge of the prohibition campaign announce still another open air meeting for this evening, on Broad street, when numerous temperance orators, both local and from other places, will be on hand to present the views of the prohibitionists. Members of city church choirs are also requested to take part, singing being from a conspicuous feature of the occasion. On Monday evening the meeting will be at the Strawberry Vale hall, the speakers including among others Rev. Messrs. Clay and Barraclough, and Dr. Lewis Hall.

Of Benefit to Babies.—An automatic rocking cradle, designed to while away the babyhood hours of blinking eyed pink and white tots inclined to restlessness, and thereby save many weary moments for tired mothers, will be on exhibition at the "Ever Bros" furniture house on Port street; and numbers of innocent little ones are expected to drop around, escorted by approving mamma, and inspect. "The cradle runs by clock-work," says the inventor, Mr. J. H. Spilling, a resident of Victoria, "and it will save the time of mothers bringing gladness to the hearts of paterfamilias and relieve his nights of many infant-voiced horrors." Questioned as to what moved him to the invention, Mr. Spilling only smiled and hastily turned the conversation into other channels. He will be present during the exhibition, however, and it may be, will then explain that interesting point.

Hospital Work.—The directors of the Jubilee hospital at their meeting last night were petitioned for a diet kitchen. The nurses joined in a letter to the board also, asking that a piano be purchased for their amusement, the rent of the one now used during their hours of relaxation being a heavy tax upon their slender purses. The report of the resident medical officer showed that a daily average of 38.25 patients had been received, with a total stay of 1,262 days and a cost per diem of \$1.39. Donations of pillow slips were received from Mrs. W. H. Hingst, one box of plums from Mrs. H. Bickford-Wilson, one box of plums from Mr. Mitchell, and one box of plums and pears from Mr. F. Sere. Old linen and cotton, it was said, would be gratefully received at the hospital. It was decided by the board that the nurses holding diplomas, not gold medals, should receive small gold medals, one-third the size of the present ones, these to be inscribed with the letters "P. R. J. H." in the centre, the word "Victoria" above and the letters "B. C." below.

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VANCOUVER'S BUDGET.

Some of the Losses of B. C. Iron Works—The Books in Very Bad Shape.

Many Canneries Will Pack Cohoes A Steamer for San Francisco Direct.

Vancouver, Sept. 9.—The Mananense, it is reported, is shortly to be put on the direct route between Vancouver and San Francisco.

Quite a number of cohoes are running. Some 18 or 20 canneries will pack them. Yesterday the canners met and expressed their opinions of the obnoxious new regulations, the general feeling being as recently expressed by Mr. G. I. Wilson and reported in the Colonist.

At a meeting of the shareholders of the B. C. Iron Works to-day, Auditor Skene reported the books in very bad shape. The less on the Rothsay, the British America corporation steamer, and five other steamers totalled \$81,730.68, and bad debts represent \$20,000 more. Auditor Skene concludes his report as follows: "I regret that I cannot in any way modify my former reports on the state into which the books had been allowed to get. There are many discrepancies in the books. For example, one account shows a balance to the company of over \$11,000, but I am informed that the correct balance is about \$5,000. In another case there is a balance of over \$9,000, while the amount actually due to the company is about \$1,000. I cannot say how these differences have arisen, but they certainly ought to be most carefully looked into. In fringing the balance sheet, I found a contract of over \$5,000 had not been debited to one of the company's customers, the amount in the ledger simply showing that 10 per cent. (\$540) had been received from this customer." It will take three weeks more to get the books in shape.

The steamship Unatilla, from San Francisco, unloaded 325 tons of freight at Vancouver this morning.

Ninety-five first-class passengers are booked to sail by the steamship Empress of China for the Orient.

Jobbers report creamery butter still stronger. It now wholesales at 21c.; dairy is still 16 and 17c. Eastern eggs are wholesaled at 17 to 17½c.; local at 35c. Lard is a trifle lower, being quoted at 9½ and 10½c. Codfish have come into sale at 6 cents. The only game exposed for sale is venison, wholesaling at 10 cents. California lemons are down to \$5 and \$5.50. Tomatoes are selling at 4 cents a pound. Watermelons are \$2.50 and \$3. There are no changes in the flower and seed market, and the meat market remains the same as last week.

NEW WESTMINSTER NOTES.

The funeral of the late Miss Kate Anderson took place on Thursday afternoon, and was largely attended.

H. S. Wilson was arrested yesterday afternoon, charged with passing forged checks. The checks were signed with the name of Mr. Hendry, of the Royal City Flaming Mills. They were for \$8.40 each.

The Cosmopolitan hotel, Port Haney, was totally destroyed by fire at 4 o'clock this morning. Most of the effects also were consumed. The loss is estimated at \$2,000.

Scorching Cyclist to Blame.—What might have been a very serious accident occurred last night about 8:30 on Government street, outside the C. P. R. telegraph office. Master Hugh Wilnot, a messenger of the telegraph company's force, had just come out of the office and started to run across the street, when a scorching cyclist struck him, without the slightest warning, throwing him about 12 feet and directly across the car line. The concussion immediately rendered Wilnot insensible, and he narrowly escaped being run over by a car coming up Government street at the time, and which the motorman only managed to pull up when about three feet from the boy. Wilnot, still insensible, was carried into the telegraph office, bleeding considerably from two large scalp wounds, but soon recovered consciousness, when he was taken to his home on Vancouver street, where at last accounts he was doing nicely, although a little dazed from the shock.

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AFTERMATH OF DISMISSAL.

Ex-Attorney-General Eberts Proceeds Against the Times For Libel.

Ex-Attorney-General Eberts has directed the issuing of a writ against the Times Publishing Co. for libel, and service was to have been made last evening. It is understood that the proceeding is based upon the allegations in the Times as to advice given by Mr. Eberts, when attorney-general, to the Lieutenant-Governor.

When the case is brought to trial, an interesting point may be raised. The excuse for the Times' allegations was a statement made by the Lieutenant-Governor in one of his letters to Mr. Eberts, when attorney-general, to the Lieutenant-Governor as a witness, and if so, will the Lieutenant-Governor claim that he is privileged, as a representative of the Crown, from testifying in court as to advice given him in that capacity by a member of the Executive council? This question is one of the first that suggests itself in connection with the case, that is, if the Times shall plead the truth of its allegations and attempt to justify them.

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PUBLIC INDIFFERENCE IN ELECTIONS.

What is the Remedy? Not Penal Enactments Like Compulsory Voting.

Thoughtful men deplore the widespread carelessness and indifference to good municipal government, manifested especially at election time, when one would suppose that every good citizen would take time and trouble in an important public matter, instead of having to be persistently canvassed by candidates and their agents, and perhaps coaxed to go to the polls.

Various superficial and penal remedies have been proposed, amongst them Compulsory Voting and the legal Abolition of the voting. Such methods are objectionable and ineffectual.

GET TO THE ROOT OF IT.

But what are we to do? Is there no way of curing these evils? For every wrong act there is a motive. When the wrong act is a common thing amongst many respectable people, then there must be an underlying cause common to all these people, which leads them to act as they do. To find out and remove that motive, and to find out the stimulus in the opposite direction is far better than your prohibitions and pains and penalties. It is the old story that prevention is better than cure—especially when the cure does not cure.

What, then, is the motive, the reason, for public indifference at municipal elections? Its root is in a system which restricts the choice of the elector to candidates that he does not care about, or gives him occasionally the privilege of throwing away his vote on a man who is inferior to him, but who cannot be elected. No wonder the voters are indifferent. Remove your stupid obstacles to their choice, and they will before you punish them for not doing it.

UNDER A COMMON SENSE PLAN.

Consider the effect of a reasonable and proper system of election. Take as an illustration a city governed by a council of nine aldermen, elected by proportional representation every year from the city at large, the ward boundaries being abolished. These aldermen would be elected in such a way that one-ninth of the electors, from all over the city, could elect one alderman.

See the wide freedom of choice! Instead of half-a-dozen ward candidates, sixteen or eighteen men of wide reputation, known to all the electors, would be before them. Amongst these there would surely be some one man whose candidature would strongly arouse your interest, and for whom you would make a point of voting your single vote. Perhaps he might be a supporter of some reform that you believe in; perhaps he might be a man of whom you would be glad to support him; perhaps even a personal friend of yours; but not the old ward. Little matter what, so long as you, the voter, had a wide choice to choose your interest.

Then, the grand feeling of an efficient ballot, the knowledge that your vote would tell—would be a real factor in the election. You would count either for someone you wanted or against someone you did not want! This feeling would come from marking your choice in the order of your choices so that if your favorite candidate did not need your vote, it would not be thrown away, but would count for someone else. Both the calibre of the candidates would be greatly improved, because they would have to be favorably known in reputation to the electors, not with mere ward reputation.

THE CANVASSING OF VOTERS.

As to canvassing, the motive and necessity for it would be largely removed by the abolition of the ward system, and the introduction of provincial representation; because each candidate would appeal to that group or quota of the electors, spread over the whole city, who were in accord with his ideas; and it would be a difficult, almost impracticable, thing, to tramp the whole city, or hire men to do it, and pick out the particular one-ninth of the voters on whom he could rely for election. Appeal by printed addresses on the grounds of principle and character, and the factor of personal persuasion would become of little value. That is a better way of abolishing canvassing than by prohibition with pains and penalties.

PUBLIC INTEREST IN ELECTIONS.

It is not easy to overestimate the necessity and importance of public interest in elections, because this is a vital matter. But the way to do right is to begin rightly—"on a right foundation." What we have said about the benefits of ward abolition and effective voting applies to nearly every city, town and village that has a municipal government. Everywhere the reason for the same complaint of indifference to elections and difficulty of getting the right men elected. Everywhere the same is the same faulty method of election, which restricts the choice of voters, prevents their uniting to get the men they would like to see in office, and shuts out radical advocates of social and municipal reform. There must be a strong public interest and even enthusiasm in elections before we have good municipal government.

To rouse that interest permanently there is but one way: the adoption of provincial representation, which has well been called "Effective Voting." And the first step in this direction is in many cases the advocacy of the initiative and referendum, which is a good thing in itself, and, if in force, would give sure means of getting proportional representation when a majority of the people understood the value and desired the adoption of this latter reform.—Ez.

"Have you put up much fruit this season?" asked the young housekeeper. "There is no one, with my two boys in the house," replied her neighbor, "they have eaten everything we have."

"Except the door-jamb," added her husband.

"I am sorry not to have seen more of you this evening," said the old gentleman to the pretty girl after the dance. "Are you going to the bathing beach in the morning?" she asked with innocent irrelevance.

"Marla, it is said that women tell more lies than men."

"No, William; they're not so skillful, and they get found out."—Exchange.

TEMPORA MUTANTUR.

The Wonderful Change Wrought in the Views of the Victoria Daily Times.

Which of the two of the following articles, from the editorial columns of the Times, are the public to understand outlines the opinion of that paper? Or are they to take that printed on Tuesday as an unwilling withdrawal of the outrageous attack upon the British troops contained in the previous article? Side by side they do not read very consistently and certainly an apology is due the public for the remarkable statements contained therein. The derisives seem to have gone to the bad very quickly in the estimation of the Times, for from simple children of the desert fighting for their rights, they have changed into a "badly behaved lot."

Look on This Picture.

(Victoria Times, April 11.)

WHOLESALE MURDER.

Great Britain is waging one of those dirty little stock exchange wars of hers along the Nile, and her soldiery are butchering the inhabitants of that interesting and historic country with a diligence any slaughter-house employee might envy. It has been pointed out again and again that Great Britain is in Egypt solely on account of financial considerations—stocks and bonds, and that all the talk about "our rights," "protection of the route to India" is pure bosh. If, however, there is any ground whatever other than the gross and shameful one we have mentioned, why a great, free and enlightened nation, replete with the spirit of civilization, is meddling with affairs in Egypt we should be glad to learn it. On Saturday we had the painful duty of publishing a despatch from the "seat of war" announcing a "victory" of the British and Egyptian troops over the derisives, as bloody and disgusting a story of murder as we ever read. We are told "the British and Egyptian troops cheered one another until late at night over the capture of the position and that the thick bush around the river was full of derisive dead."

Two thousand of the natives were slaughtered like sheep. Pleasant reading for British Christians at the end of the 19th century. The machine guns, worked in comfort and security by the gallant British and Egyptian troops, and a figment Christian and civilized white brothers of the derisives, mowed down the colored men in heaps, and all the horrible accomplishments of ghastly wounds and torn and mangled fragments of human bodies leading up to the proceedings when "the British and Egyptian troops cheered one another." We are also told there was great "rivalry" to be first in the glorious race upon the derisive position, and that the deadly nature of the British was shown by the immense numbers of dead camels, donkeys, and other animals in the trenches, besides the two thousand poor, half-armed, unorganized derisives. Pah! This bloody, wanton, useless slaughter is sickening to read about. And this is what British people have come to call glory. Butcherings in the Sudan and Afghanistan, Afridis defending their own homes in the mountains of India. At such names as Waterloo, Salamis, Badajoz and Victoria we feel the glow of pride, for there the British soldiers shed their blood in a noble cause—the overthrow of a military despotism that threatened European liberty—but this vile shambles of Athara is horrible, shameful beyond measure, and Britons may do themselves the honor to blush at that bloody name, as they are somewhat inclined to do at the recital of the story of the M. Champe down's shells slaughtering the brave Cretan shepherds fighting for their liberty against the Turks at Canaë—the most disgraceful episode in British history. But in all that disgusting report about "the overthrow of Athara" there is nothing more sickening and disgusting than the remark of the Sirdar, Sir Herbert Kitchener (?) to the men during their gory jubilation amidst the wreckage and battered corpses of their enemies, that "they must not forget God." A more impudently blasphemous thing no commander ever uttered, considering the awful circumstances and the surroundings. But no matter whether the butchers of Athara forget God or not, doubtless He will not fail to remember them at the final accounting. British military records are beginning to drip as bloodily as those of Rome in the expansive period of her history.

THE TURF.

Victoria's Fall Meeting.

The opening day of the Vancouver races was remarkable chiefly for the excellent time of Gold Bug, who ran the mile in 1:47 2-5, this being the record for British Columbia. Black Adder, who won the half and repeat, is one of the fastest sprinters on the Coast, and inasmuch as the Victoria track is two seconds faster than that of Vancouver, and as every care has been taken to put it in first-class condition, the races next week promise very fast time. Gold Bug, Black Adder, R. E. B., Scorching, Ray Caruthers, Frank Marshall, Kitty Brady and Endymion are all in good fighting trim, but amongst a number of horses that are coming from the American side for the Victoria meeting there are sure to be several that will make Gold Bug look to his laurels—and he holds the record for Montana by five-eighths. The greatest feature of the Victoria races this time will be the number of long-distance events on the programme. They are undoubtedly the most interesting, from a spectator's point of view, and as a test of the stamina of a thoroughbred they are incomparably superior to the short sprints so prevalent on this Coast. Everything possible is being done for the accommodation of visitors. A special car service the Willows will be provided on the day of the races.

ORE SAMPLES FOR EXHIBITION.

The mineral exhibit in connection with the exhibition at New Westminster, the commissioner, W. H. Keary, is exceedingly anxious to make as representative as possible, and asks all those who can do so to send him specimens for this exhibit. He will pay the cost of transportation. This is especially for the Island.

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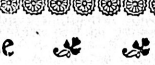
And Then on This.

(Victoria Times, September 6.)

THE BATTLE OF OMDURMAN.

There will be only one regret on the part of the British government in regard to the battle of Omdurman, namely, that the Khalifa should have escaped. The escaped leaders will be sure to busy themselves in making fresh trouble for the victors in the Sudan by collecting around them the tribes of the desert at a distance from the Nile, and possibly massing an army strong enough to call for another Omdurman. The generalship displayed by General Kitchener was so thorough as to call forth the admiration of German experts. The steadiness of the British infantry and the spirit of the cavalry regiments, especially the 21st Lancers, were quite equal to the qualities displayed by their fore-runners in these ranks on fields now historic. The feat of the 21st was a brilliant one, though not to be classed with the Light Brigade charge at Balaklava. The work done by the artillery seems to have been most effective; while the rapid-fire guns did terrible execution among the onrushing hordes. The British line regiments and the Egyptians fought side by side with the same comradeship that obtains between our men and the Sikhs and Gorkhas of the Indian army. The result of the battle of Omdurman will be the opening up of Central Africa from the north, the laying of railways through the Sahara, possibly the irrigation of that enormous, useless tract, and a change for the better all round. As for the derisives, the natives of the conquered country, no regret need be felt for they were a badly-behaved lot always, and as they stood in the way of the advancement of civilization they had to go. General Kitchener has done his work like a soldier and will deserve all the glory he may get from his grateful and admiring country.

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